

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2550 – SB 2609

March 27, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires the State Board of Education (SBE) to develop academic standards for a comprehensive firearm education course to be offered as an elective in high school. Requires the course to incorporate history, mathematics, and science related to firearms and firearm safety education as recommended by law enforcement agencies and firearms associations. Such requirement shall apply to the 2019-2020 school year.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures -- \$20,500/One-Time

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (016129): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to authorize local education agencies (LEAs) to adopt a gun safety class or program. Prohibits the use or presence of live ammunition.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$500/Permissive

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The SBE will not have to conduct standards review.
- LEAs electing to implement a gun safety program will incur a permissive increase in local expenditures for printing and materials.
- The statewide extent of any permissive recurring local government expenditures cannot be specifically determined due to several unknown factors. However, such impact is reasonably estimated to exceed at least \$500 statewide each year.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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